

LTBB Odawa Indians

Hearing Assistance Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting

March 19, 2013

MINUTES

The meeting began at 9:20 a.m.

Councilor Denemy, Councilor Gasco -Bentley, Councilor Wemigwase, Elder Outreach Coordinator Tami Oakluy, were present. Treasury Director Michael Garrow Elder John Kawegoma, Vice Chairman Julie Shananaquet.

Handouts:

Vice-Chairman brought a draft of a policy of the Hearing Aid Assistance Program and this was discussed.

There was a discussion about the percentages of elders and tribal citizens that may need aid; the number of youth; the number of citizens who are not elders.

Tami discussed the youth scholarship program may be able to help youth in this area.

Lisa is already checking into any funding from Human Services grants and other funding services.

There was a discussion about putting a cap on the funding for the hearing aids.

Doctor Samuels has been provided the Committee with statistics of the need for a program such as this for our communities.

The Committee has decided to get a bit more information before presenting the policy to the AFC.

Michael Garrow worked on and handed out a rough draft of what the cost of this program. Michael will be contacting Dr. Samuels and Vice Chairman Shananaquet will be getting together to work on the costs, Etc.

The meeting ended at 10:30.